(c) whether Government of Madhya Pradesh has demanded for additional force from Central Government to tackle the Naxal violence; and

(d) if so, by when Central Government would made available the additional force?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. 10 Commando Battalion for Resolute Action (CoBRA) have been sanctioned in Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF), out of which two battalions have been raised during 2008-09. In addition, provision has been made for conversion of two-companies in each India Reserve (IR) Battalion as Commando Companies trained in Jungle Warfare, with a central assistance of Rs. Three crore per company.

(c) No, Sir. However, one CPMF Battalion is already deployed on long term basis for assisting State Police Forces in anti-naxal operations in the State.

(d) Does not arise.

Setting up Federal Police Service

510. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has decided to set up a Federal Police Service to have jurisdiction over entire territory of India to deal with terrorism;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, what other effective steps are proposed to be taken to deal with terrorism unhindered by current restrictions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Government has been, on a continuing basis, reviewing the security arrangements in the light of emerging challenges, including terrorism, and a number of important decisions and measures have been taken. These measures include augmenting the strength of Central Para-Military Forces; amendment of the CISF Act to enable deployment of CISF in joint venture or private industrial undertakings; establishment of NSG hubs at Chennai, Kolkata, Hyderabad and Mumbai; empowerment of DG, NSG to requisition aircraft for movement of NSG personnel in the event of any emergency; strengthening and re-organising of Multi-Agency Centre to enable it to function on 24X7 basis for real time collation and sharing of intelligence with other intelligence and security agencies; and development of online and secure connectivity between Multi-Agency Centre, Subsidiary Multi-Agency Centres and State Special Branches. The Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967 has been amended and notified in 2008 to strengthen the punitive measures to combat terrorism. The National Investigation Agency has been constituted under the National Investigation Agency Act, 2008 to investigate and prosecute offences under the Acts in the Schedule.